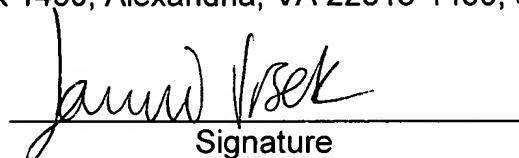


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Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action mailed July 6, 2005, now set to expire on October 6, 2005, be extended two (2) months to expire on December 6, 2005.

Enclosed is our check no. 25030 in the amount of \$1240.00 (including \$450 for a two-month extension). Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1897.

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